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LOK SABHA

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BAN ON ONION EXPORT
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intends to lift ban on the export of onion;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) There is no ban on export of onion. Export of onion is allowed without any quantitative ceiling through designated State Trading Enterprises (STEs). These State Trading Enterprises are :-

(i) National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd.(NAFED)

(ii) Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board (MSAMB)

(iii) Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Ltd.(GALC)

(iv) The Spices Trading Corporation Ltd.(STCL)

(v) The A.P. State Trading Corporation

(vi) The Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd (KSCMF)

(vii) The National Co-operative Consumers Federation of India Ltd., (NCCF)

(viii) The North Karnataka Onion Growers Co-operative Society (NKOGCS)

(ix) West Bengal Essential Commodities Supply Corporation (WBECSC) Ltd.,Kolkata

(x) M.P.State Agro Industries Development Corporation (MPSAIDC), Bhopal

(xi) Karnataka State Produce Processing and Export Corporation (KAPPEC), Bangalore

(xii) Madhya Pradesh State Co-operative Oil Seeds Growers Federation Ltd.,

(xiii) The Andhra Pradesh Marketing Federation (AP MARKFED)

(b) & (c) Does not arise.